

Alternative Living Services

AL services help individuals acquire the skills necessary to live as independently as possible with minimal residential services. Services are offered in integrated settings and support personal power, choice, and full access to the greater community.

Contracted AL providers may be authorized to support an individual's Person-Centered Service plan for up to 40 hours per week. Support options include training to establish a residence, home living, community living, health and safety, social activities, protection and advocacy, and more as needed.



Eligibility Requirements

Individuals:

- Enrolled and eligible clients of Developmental Disabilities Administration
- 18 years of age or older
- On the Home and Community Based Services core waiver
- DSHS-assessed as requiring residential habilitation services to meet their health and welfare needs
- Living outside their parent's home or transitioning to their own home within six months
- Able to pay for daily living expenses using personal, financial resources

Quality Assurance Oversight

- DDA contracted evaluators
- DDA Case Resource Management
- DSHS Adult Protective Services

Stakeholders

- DDA participants
- Family members and legal representatives
- Self-advocates and advocacy groups
- Contracted providers

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Approximately 110 participants receive Alternative Living services.

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